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1. THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELFARE IS ASKING FOR A
FY 79 BUDGET APPROPRIATION OF YEN 108.7 MILLION FOR A
NEW JAPAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION HEALTH SURVEY PROGRAM
FOR CHILDREN OF A-BOMB VICTIMS. SEVERAL PREFECTURES AND
CITIES ARE NOW CONDUCTING PHYSICAL CHECKUPS FOR SUCH
PEOPLE BUT INCREASING DEMAND HAS LED MHW TO PLAN A
NATIONWIDE PROGRAM UNDER WHICH YEARLY EXAMINATIONS WILL
BE AVAILABLE TO DESCENDANTS OF A-BOMB VICTIMS UPON
REQUEST. CONTINUING CHECKUPS ON A WIDE SCALE WILL
PROVIDE ANOTHER MEANS OF ASCERTAINING POSSIBLE
HEREDITARY EFFECTS TO BOMBING VICTIMS AND THEIR
DESCENDANTS. MHW EXPECTS ABOUT 45,000 OUT OF 320,000
ELIGIBLE PERSONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM NEXT YEAR.

2. STUDIES ON THE HEALTH OF CHILDREN OF A-BOMB
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VICTIMS, CONDUCTED IN THE PAST BY J-NIH IN HIROSHIMA AND
NAGASAKI AND RERF IN THESE TWO CITIES, HAVE NOT REVEALED
ANY SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS OF RADIATION ON THE OFFSPRING
OF THE VICTIMS. MANSFIELD

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